



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 284

LCO No. 1713

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECKS
FOR PERSONS PROVIDING SERVICES TO CLIENTS OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of
2 Mental Health and Addiction Services shall require that each applicant
3 for an employment or volunteer position in the department submit to a
4 state criminal background check, a check of the Department of
5 Children and Families child abuse and neglect registry established
6 pursuant to section 17a-101k of the general statutes, and a check of the
7 Department of Developmental Services abuse or neglect registry
8 established pursuant to section 17a-247b of the 2008 supplement to the
9 general statutes. In addition, the commissioner may require that any
10 applicant for an employment or volunteer position in the department,
11 who has resided outside this state submit to a national criminal
12 background check. No applicant shall be hired or placed in a volunteer
13 position by the department until the results of such checks are
14 available.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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PH *Joint Favorable*